Social infrastructure at city level, sub-city level and sectorial level such as inter-State bus terminal, commercial centers, hospitals, telephone exchange, fire station, police stations, schools and colleges, etc., have also been planned.

Regulating Authority for Street Hawkers and Vendors

143. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) which authority is regulating street hawkers and vendors in the country;

(b) whether there is uniform law in the States for vendors and howkers; and

(c) if not, the action proposed for uniform hawking laws?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) Street Howkers and Vendors are regulated by the Municipal Bodies of States as per the relevant provisions of their Municipal Laws. As the Municipal Laws are at variance from State to State, a unform law for regulation of howders and vendors does not exist. Municipal Administration is a State subject and States are free to make laws as per local requirements.

Bad Condition of Type-I Quarters in R.K. Puram, Sector-II

144. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Type-I quarters located at R.K. Puram, Sector-II, New Delhi are in a very bad condition;

(b) whether windows and doors of toilets of these quarters have been in dilapidated condition and only one toilet has been provided for two quarters from Quarter Nos. 300 to 500 while some quarters have independent toilets; and

(c) if answer to parts (a) and (b) be in the affirmative, then when Government will get independent toilets constructed for each flat and the work relating to installation of windows and doors of toilets will be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No, Sir. The quarters are in habitable condition.

(b) Windows and doors of toilets of these quarters are in working condition. There is only one toilet for two quarters in all the 1048 Type-I quarters in Sector-II, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.

(c) Work of providing independent toilets for all the Type-I quarters has been planned in two phases. Work under Phase-I has been taken up and is scheduled to be completed during this financial year. Work under Phase-II is at the stage of tendering and is planned to be completed by the end of next financial year.

As regards complaints regarding repairs to doors and windows, the same are being attended to as and when received.

Slum Population in the Capital

145. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the capital over 45 per cent of the population lives in slums;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government have failed to enforce laws to clear the 'city's slums;

(c) if so, what immediate steps are being taken to remove these slums; and

(d) what concrete mechanism has been worked out to prevent further growth of slums on Government land in future?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) It has been